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FAMILY NEWS

Upcoming Events:

January 26:

Ladies brunch/cookie swap/ Ministry Sign-up at 9:30 am. RSVP with Carol Brown.

January 27: FIT Food List

instant oatmeal or grits, poptarts, breakfast bars, bottle/ box drinks, cash donations

No Glass Containers

February 2:

PBC Pre-registration opens. See Dawn for more info.

Winterfest 2019:

Balances due ASAP

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Missions: Mike and Kris Bridges
- AIM: Kaylee Bridges
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley - Washington, D.C.
- Grayson Carter Ft. Riley
- Steve & Erma Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Robin Smith
- Lisa Smith- Karen Oliver's Sister
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart's Father
- Tom Dominick
- Chester Warren
- Mark Black Kris Black's Father
- Erma Izard, Lynn Gaines and Family
- Leah Crocker
- George Westerman
- Kelli Daniel
- Karyl Buress
- Kathy Alexander & Family
- Friend of Karen Brophy
- Fritz Stewart George Stewart's Father
- John Turner
- Dianne & Harry George on the loss of their daughter. Friends of the Coxes.

ELIJAH AND THE CALL

In 1 Kings 17, Elijah confronts king Ahab and prophesies a three year drought. In verse 2 we find this statement; "Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah". The Word from the Lord came after Elijah, acting in faith, delivered his message to the king. We often contemplate why the Lord is silent in our lives. The story of Elijah gives insight into how and when a Word from the Lord might come to us. Elijah delivered a message that could have resulted in the king having him killed. In the face of death, Elijah continued to obey the nudging of God. Only after he proved faithful did the Word of God come to him. Elijah was cultivating his heart to receive the Word of God even before it came. Do you continually search your heart to uncover ways to offer more obedience to God, even before you see where He is taking you?

I bought insurance for my vehicle, for the 45 short days I have been able to drive in the past two years. The price of car insurance, after multiple drinking and driving related incidents is astronomical. The state requires a certain kind of insurance called SR-22. You can save fifty or more dollars each month by having your car title put in someone else's name and purchasing non-owners insurance. Insurance companies now have started to ask the question. In order to save the money you would now have to lie. Insurance companies don't send anyone out to your house to investigate. They will never know of your dishonesty. I had to adjust my insurance policy because of this test of my integrity. I must be obedient to what He tells me! I wasn't being obedient with the little He trusted me with, so how could I be faithful with much? You can't ask to hear more from God if you aren't being faithful with what you have already heard.

The Lord, through His word, has spoken to every Christian. We must obey His voice. This will slowly prepare our hearts to receive more of his word each day. Let's be a church that prays more. Let's be a church with more integrity. Let's be a church with more service. Let's be a church with more faith, hope, and love. I firmly believe we are a church that loves God. This week I want us to have the faith to give a bit more. Let's be a church that encounters and hears from God a bit more

Blessings, Brian Devereaux

ASSEMBLY TIMES

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:30AM

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS 11:00 AM

> WEDNESDAY LADIES GROUP BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM

January 20th, 2018 Weekly Statistics

AM Bible Class: 62 AM Bible Class Avg: 67

AM Assembly: 128 AM Assembly Avg: 128

Contribution: \$11,826.00 YTD Average Weekly: \$10,359.00

Weekly Budget: \$8,110.94

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Geoffrey Cottrell:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054baea82ba5fe3-lunch

Suzanne Kennedy:

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/60b054cacaf2ca2fe3-rides

Anniversaries:

1.1 Kyle & Brenda Kramar-Rice

1.16 Dennis & Sharon Carter

Birthdays:

1.23 Patrick Stivers

1.26 Robin Akers

1.27 Tracy Jex

1.28 Avery Brannan

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Opportunities to Serve January 27, 2019

Worship:

Connor Watkins

Sound Room:

Cliff Brown Mike Spane

Lord's Supper Comments:

Chris Amaral

Servers in January:

Wayne Burress Ernie Oliver Brian Devereaux Vern Lowe Matt Joy

Door Greeters in January:

Ernie Oliver Karen Oliver

Nursery:

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YOUTH NEWS

Sunday was absolutely amazing! I don't know what the difference was, but our worship service felt like it had more life in it than it has had in a long time. You could really feel the Spirit moving in every way, from the singing to the communion to the message and the response. Keke's sermon just really seemed to hit the sweet spot for so many of us, including myself!

In fact, it was perfectly appropriate that he would preach about trusting God and obeying His call, even when He doesn't light all the steps ahead, particularly on the day before we, as a nation, celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. MLK was a Christian, who reluctantly, but in faith, responded to his sense of God's calling for his life, namely, to lead others in the often painful fight against racial injustice in the United States. He did much to draw attention to these injustices and to begin the process of change. While he never got to see the full effect of his labor, including the passage of the 1968 Civil Rights Act (signed just a week after his death), the dismantling of legalized segregation, the appointment of two African-American secretaries of state, and the election of the first African-American president, we cannot miss the fact that he certainly stepped out in faith and lived out his calling in obedience to God.

Just as Keke pointed out how the prophet Elijah brought a word of the Lord to King Ahab that could have cost him his life, MLK had to know that his message might have had that same potential. In fact, for MLK, it surely did

result in his assassination. However, his message did not go unheard, changes were made, and his voice will have an impact that will last a lifetime. So, no matter what the outcome, we truly can trust God when he calls us in the dark.

In MLK's famous last speech before he died, he said, "Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will." Those are some very powerful words spoken from a very humble man. My desire is that I would be able to be the kind of person, like MLK, who can say something like this and mean it. I want to be able to hear God's call, and to obey Him without reservation, to have no need for all the steps in front of me to be planned out and lit up for me to see. No fear, just trust!

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5

~ Dawn